The State of Maryland ss: At a general Court for the Western Shore of the said State begun and held at the city of Annapolis on the second tuesday of October being the tenth day of the same month in the year of our lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty six. — Were present

The Honorable { Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire Chief Judge; Alexander Contee Hanson and Robert Goldsborough Junior } Esquires Judges —

David Steward Gent. Sheriff. — Thomas B. Hodgkin Clk.

Amongst other proceedings was the following to wit —

Jgs. Charles Wallace and John Muir vs Richard Sappington { Be it remembered that heretofore to wit on the thirtieth day of June in the year seventeen hundred and eighty five. Command was given to the Sheriff of Harford County that he should take Richard Sappington late of Harford County Gentleman otherwise called Richard Sappington of Ann Arundel County if he should be found in his Bailiwick and him should safe keep so that he might have his body before the judges of our General Court to be held at the city of Annapolis on the second tuesday of October then next, to answer unto Charles Wallance and John Muir in a plea that he render unto them the sum of one thousand and twenty two pounds and six pence current money of Maryland which to them he owes and unjustly detains and so forth — And that thereof he the said sheriff should not fail and that he should have then and there that writ and so forth. — And the aforesaid Charles Wallace and John Muir declared against the said Richard Sappington in the plea aforesaid as follows to wit. Harford County to wit. Richard Sappington late of Harford County Gentleman otherwise called Richard Sappington of Ann Arundel County was summoned to answer unto Charles Wallace and John Muir in a plea that he render unto them the sum of one thousand and twenty two pounds and six pence current money of Maryland which to them he owes and unjustly detains and so forth — And whereupon the said Charles ~~Wallace John Muir Plaintiffs~~ Jenings their Attorney say that whereas the aforesaid Richard on the eighth day of May in the year of our lord one thousand one thousand seven hundred and eighty three at Ann Arundel County aforesaid by his certain writing obligatory acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto them the said Charles and John in the aforesaid sum of one thousand and twenty two pounds and six pence current money of Maryland to be paid to them the said Charles and John when afterwards he should be thereunto required. Nevertheless the aforesaid Richard although often thereunto required the aforesaid sum of one thousand and twenty two pounds and six pence current money of Maryland to them the said Charles and John hath not rendered or paid but the same to them hitherto to render or pay he hath altogether refused and still doth refuse wherefore they say they are the worse and have damage to the value of one thousand pounds current money of Maryland aforesaid and therefore they bring suit and so forth and bring here into court the writing obligatory aforesaid sealed with the seal of the aforesaid Richard which the debt aforesaid in form aforesaid witnesseth the date whereof is